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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT 7002 0510 0003 8603 2410

Clifton Mining Company Keith Moeller 80 West Canyon Crest Road Alpine, Utah 84004

Subject: Five-Year Review of Reclamation Surety Estimate, Clifton Mining Company,

Cactus Mill, M/045/049, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mr. Moeller:

Thank you for providing the information requested for the five-year review of the Cactus Mill. The Division finds based on the information reviewed along with a site visit, that the only changes required for the reclamation cost estimate is a five-year escalation. The surety escalated to the year 2011 is \$42,300. A Surety Estimate Update is attached for your use. Please provide the updated surety within 60 days or no later March 31, 2006.

Please contact Beth Ericksen at (801) 538-5318 (<u>BethEricksen@utah.gov</u>) to obtain the current bonding forms and information to amend the reclamation contract. Current bonding forms and information are also found on the Division's web page at http://ogm.utah.gov/minerals/. Please fax a "draft" copy of the documents to (801) 359-3940 for review prior to finalizing the surety.

If you are unable to provide the surety within this timeframe, please contact the Division with justification for requesting additional time. Thank you for your help in keeping the surety current. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Doug Jensen at (801) 538-5382.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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Attachment: Surety estimate update

c: Larry Garahana, BLM, State Office (U-73999)

Doug Jensen, DOGM Beth Ericksen, DOGM

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SURETY ESTIMATE UPDATE

Clifton Mining Company

Cactus Mill FILE # M/045/049

Tooele County

Prepared by Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

Last Update 7-Feb-01

18-Jan-06

DESCRIPTION:

- -Previous reclamation surety estimate was \$38,8000 in year 2000 dollars
- -Reclamation Estimate base amount calculated in 2000-\$
- -This update adjusts the surety amount for escalation only.
- -Escalation factors through 2004 are actual Means Historical Cost Indices

-Total disturbed area =

8.9 ACRES

CALCULATIONS		ESCAL	BOND	
F = P(1 + i)**n	YR	FACTOR	AMOUNT	
	1995	0.0193	\$0.00	
F = Future Sum	1996	0.0242	\$0.00	
P = Present Sum	1997	0.0236	\$0.00	
i = Escalation Factor	1998	0.0502	\$0.00	
n = number of periods	1999	0.0191	\$0.00	
	2000	0.0244	\$33,224	
Three Yr Average =1.20%	2001	0.0421	\$34,623	
Used to Project 5 Yrs	2002	0.0171	\$35,215	
From the Year 2005	2003	0.0840	\$38,173	
	2004	0.0200	\$38,936	
	2005	0.0120	\$39,404	
	2006	0.0120	\$39,876	
	2007	0.0120	\$40,355	
	2008	0.0120	\$40,839	
	2009	0.0120	\$41,329	
	2010	0.0120	\$41,825	
	2011	0.0120	\$42,327	
Updated Surety Amount Roun	ded (2011-\$)	\$42,300		

^{**} Average cost per acre =

4756 (\$/ACRE)